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(b) The Central Government have replied to say that the proposal to establish an additional refinery based on imported or indigenous crude oil was only in the preliminary stage and that the views of this Government would be kept in view while taking a final decision.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Has the attention of the Government been drawn to the Press Reports that Oil Refineries would be set up in other States? If so, will the Government re-emphasise the importance of setting up an oil refinery in our State, to the Central Government?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : We have been taking up this matter constantly with the Government of India.

*493 Q.—

MR. SPEAKER : As the hon. Members Sri N. K. Palanisami and Sri M. P. Sarathi are not in their seats, the question and the answer will be printed in the proceedings ^a.

* 494 Q.—

MR. SPEAKER : As the hon. Member Sri T. Sampath is not in his seat, the question and answer will be printed in the proceedings.

Indian Medicine

SRI T. SAMPATH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government propose to constitute a committee for formulating proposals for starting a Degree Course in Indian Medicine?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : The Government have constituted a Committee consisting of the following persons :—

- 1 Dr. P. M. Mehta, M.D., M.S., F.C.P.S., F.I.C.S.—*Chairman.*
- 2 Sri S. Viswanatha Sarma—*Member.*
- 3 Dr. S. Govindaswami Mudaliar, H.P.I.M.—*Member.*
- 4 Dr. Syed Niamathulla—*Member.*
- 5 Dr. A. N. Subaraman, M.B., M.S.—*Member-Secretary.*

Vettavalam Panchayat.

* 495 Q.—

* 495 Q.—SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI (on behalf of SRI P. U. SHANMUGHAM) : கனம் முதல் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) திருவண்ணாமலை தாலுகா வேட்டலம் ஊர் ஆட்சிமன்ற முன்னாள் தலைவர் பணம் கையாடல் செய்திருப்பது அரசாங்கத்தின் கவனத்திற்கு கொண்டுவரப்பட்டதா?

(ஆ) அப்படியானால் என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டது?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

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(b) The Collector of North Arcot has sanctioned the prosecution of Sri R. Dharmalingam Chettiar, ex-President of the Vettavalam Panchayat for breach of trust in respect of three sums, viz., Rs. 101-25 nP., Rs. 711 and Rs. 739-42 nP. from out of the Vettavalam Panchayat funds during the term of his office.

Adult Education

* 496 Q.—SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI (on behalf of SRI M. P. SUBRAMANIAM) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the teachers under the Salem District Board have been deputed for Adult Education Training conducted in 1957 at Thirukkazhukunram in Chingleput district;

(b) if so, how many of them have not been paid travelling allowance so far; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) Out of 17 teachers deputed for training, two claimed their travelling allowance in time and payment has been made to them. Of the remaining 15 teachers, 11 have submitted their bills and these are under scrutiny. The remaining four teachers from whom bills have not yet been received, have been reminded to submit them. The delay in payment was due to the non-submission of bills by the teachers in time.

Higher studies (Foreign)

* 497 Q.—SRI N. R. THIAGARAJAN : கனம் நிதி அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்கு பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) 1957-ம் ஆண்டு ஏப்ரல் மாதம் 1-ம் தேதி முதல் 1960-ம் ஆண்டு மார்ச் மாதம் முடிய நமது ராஜ்யத்திலிருந்து கல்வி, கலாசாரம் முதலியன கற்க எத்தனை பேர்கள் வெளி நாடுகளுக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்டார்கள்?

(ஆ) அதில் மாணவர்கள் எத்தனை பேர்?

(இ) மற்றவர்கள் எத்தனை பேர்?

(ஈ) சர்க்கார் ஒவ்வொருவருக்கும் சராசரி எவ்வளவு பணம் உதவி தந்தது?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (அ), (ஆ) (இ)—No students as such was sent abroad during the period, but 41 State Government employees were sent abroad for higher studies and research.

(ஈ) Out of the 41 officers, two were deputed under the Modified Overseas Scholarship Scheme of the Government of India, while the others were deputed for training taking advantage of offers made by foreign Governments and agencies. The